

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Application of Anderson et al., a Continuation Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of:

Applicant : Anderson et al.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Preliminary to examination, please amend the instant application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.